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Applicant(s): Kanji TANAKA et al. Serial No.: 10/694,540 Filing or 371(c) Date: October 27, 2003 Title: BINDER	Art Unit: 3722 Examiner: E. Gates
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement issued on March 20, 2006, Applicants elect Group I, including Claims 1-10 for prosecution in the present application. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a Divisional Application to pursue prosecution of the non-elected claims 11 and 12.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance.

Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

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